

Willamette River Watershed

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Southeast Interceptor Sewer Repair Project

Design Update

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Environmental Services is designing a project in inner southeast Portland to repair a deep interceptor sewer line that is deteriorating due to age. The project will extend the life of the sewer and protect public health, water quality and the environment. The city built the large-diameter Southeast Interceptor in 1954. It runs parallel to the Willamette River under inner southeast neighborhoods and is between 30 and 54 feet below the surface.

Location

Two segments of the Southeast Interceptor require repairs (see map on back).

Schedule

Project design will continue through fall 2016. Construction is currently anticipated to begin in spring 2017.

Design Update

The project team has collected information about sewer pipe conditions and is in the process of selecting the most appropriate repair technologies. At this point in design, engineers believe much of the pipe can be repaired without digging trenches in the roadway. Construction is likely to close traffic lanes near manholes that access the public sewer, and there may also be traffic control, construction signage or increased traffic volume and parking on nearby streets.

We Welcome Your Input

While construction is still more than a year away, city outreach staff have been visiting businesses and neighbors near proposed construction sites to inform them well in advance about construction timelines, schedules and anticipated impacts. If you have not been contacted or have concerns about this project related to business operations, disability issues or medical or business deliveries, please contact us. We will continue to work with the community to minimize disruptions where possible.

For More Information

To be added to the project's email update list, email rhetta.drennan@portlandoregon.gov with "SEI" in the subject line. If you have questions, contact Rhetta Drennan by email or by phone at 503-823-6006. Updates are posted on the project web page at www.portlandoregon.gov/bes/sei.

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Over one-third of Portland's 2,500 miles of sewer pipes are more than 80 years old. Projects to replace or repair aging sewers are important for protecting water quality, public health, and the environment. Learn more at www.portlandoregon.gov/bes.

Location

Two segments of the Southeast Interceptor require repairs (see map).

The north segment starts at the intersection of SE Grand Avenue and SE Stark Street, follows SE Grand Avenue north to NE Davis Street, and then extends from NE Davis Street west to NE 3rd Avenue.

The south segment starts at SE 16th Avenue and SE Haig Street in the Brooklyn neighborhood. The line follows SE 16th Avenue north to SE Powell Boulevard, continues north along SE 14th Avenue to SE Gideon Street, and travels northwest on SE Gideon Street to SE 11th Avenue. After a short distance on SE 11th Avenue, the line follows the railroad tracks to a point just west of the intersection of SE Division Place and SE Division Street. From there, it follows SE Division Street to the northwest. The segment ends at SE Division Street and SE 7th Avenue.

